

PROCEEDINGS
of
THE TRAVANCORE SRI MULAM ASSEMBLY.
(OFFICIAL REPORT)
SECOND ASSEMBLY.
EIGHTH SESSION.

Thursday, the 23rd January 1941/10th Makaram 1116.

The Assembly met at 11 of the Clock with Sachivottama Sir C. P. Ramaswami Aiyar, K. C. S. I., K. C. I. E. LL. D., Dewan-President, in the Chair.

NEW MEMBERS.

The following members took the oath and signed the rolls:

1. Mr. A. Gopala Menon (*Director of Public Instruction*).
2. Mr. M. K. Gopala Pillai (*Director of Public Health*).
3. Mr. C. S. Lekshmanan Pillai (*Ag. Public Service Commissioner*).
4. Vaidyasastrakusala Dr. (Mrs.) M. Poonen Lukose (*Surgeon-General*).
5. Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*) and
6. Mr. E. G. Salter (*Director of Transport*).

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Holders of H. G. T. T. Certificates.

61. *MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR (*Kalkulam cum Vilavankod*): Will the Government be pleased to state

- (a) the total number of H. G. T. T. Certificate holders;
- (b) the number of them employed in the Education Department;
- (c) the number of them employed in other Departments; and
- (d) whether they have recently submitted memorials to Government through the Director of Public Instruction praying that they may also be appointed as teachers in English Middle schools and as Head-Masters in primary schools?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON (*Director of Public Instruction*):

(a) and (c) The time and labour involved in collecting the information is out of proportion to its possible utility.

(b) 2,362.

(d) Yes.

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MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR (*Tovala cum Agastisvaram*): With reference to answer to part (d) of the question, may I know the fate of the memorial?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: The memorial was rejected.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha cum Deviculam*): May I know whether there is any rule existing at present permitting their appointment as teachers in English Middle schools and as Headmasters in Primary Schools?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: Yes, Sir; 25 per cent of the appointments as Headmasters of Primary Schools are reserved for the Higher Trained teachers and all appointments in the Malayalam Middle Schools except for the teaching of English are also reserved for the Higher Grade teachers.

Memorials from holders of H. G. T. T. Certificates.

62. ***MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether at any time in *Puruttasi* 1116 the holders of H. G. T. T. certificates individually or collectively submitted memorials to the Chief Secretary to Government, regarding their claims to become Headmasters and First Assistants in Tamil and Malayalam Middle Schools; and

(b) if the answer to (a) is in the affirmative, whether they will be pleased to lay on the table a copy of the memorial?

MR. A. GOPALA MENON: (a) Yes.

(b) A copy of the memorial is placed on the Secretary's table.

MR. K. NARAYANAPERUMAL NADAR: It is stated that "A copy of the memorial is placed on the Secretary's table". May I know why a copy of the memorial is not placed on my table?

PRESIDENT: The usual legislative practice is that the Secretary's table is a kind of common property of all the members of the Legislature and, so, it is one by seventy-secondth of the honourable member's table

Supply of drinking water in Eraniel

63. ***MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(a) whether water in the wells at Eraniel is brackish and hence unfit for drinking purposes; and

(b) whether it is possible to supply good drinking water to this town from the well in the Eraniel English High School compound?

MR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI (*Director of Public Health*):

(a) Water in the wells in Kottakagom Kara of Eraniel is reported to be brackish and not quite fit for drinking purposes.

(b) This has not been investigated.

MR. C. JEBAMONY NADAR: With reference to answer to part (b) may I take it that Government will investigate the matter?

MR. M. K. GOPALA PILLAI: Yes, Sir.